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psonall estate be equally divided between my wife and that son that is living, and if (it) please God that if all my sd. sons should die without issue of their bodies lawfully begotten before they arrive at the age of twenty-one years, that then my prsonall estate be divided equally between my wife Ann Washington and my brother's children. Item, it is my will that my brother (some words appear to be left out) and tuition of my son Lawr Washington, and that my sd. brother have the keeping of my sd. son's estate, &c., of this my last (will) and testamt, and I make and ordain my well beloved brother, Capt. Lawrence Washington, and my beloved wife, Ann Washington, my full and whole excr and executrix, and I do hereby utterly disallow, revoke and annul all and every other former testamt, wills, legacies, bequests and Exs. by me in anywise before this time named, willed and bequested, ratifying and confirming this and none other to be my last will testamt.

Item it is also my will that Mrs. Elizabeth Hardid (mutilated) have my watch that was given to me by Captain Wm. Hardidg's will. Item, it is my will that my beloved God son John Dudlstone have a gold signet which was given me by his father on his death bed. Item, it is my will that mv beloved brother, Captain Lawe Washington have my wearing rings.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this day and year as aforesaid. JOHN WASHINGTON. (*Seal.*)

Signed, sealed, published,
pronounced and declared
by the sd. John Washington
as his last will and testament
in the presence of
John Scott, A. Webster, Thos. Howes, Peter Hyatt.

At a Court for Westmd County the 23rd day of ffebry, 1697

The above will was duly proved and probat thereof granted the Execrs. therein named and ordered to be recorded.

Recordat: 5 May, 1697.
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JOURNAL OF THE MEETINGS OF THE PRESIDENT AND MASTERS OF WILLIAM AND MARY COLLEGE.

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(186) November 27th, 1769.

At a Meeting of the President & Masters of Wm & Mary College,

Present,

The Revd Mr Horrocks, President, Mr Camm, Mr Johnson & Mr E. Jones.

Resol: that the following advertisement be inserted in the Gazette,

Viz^{t}:

Whereas, it has appear'd to us the President & Masters of W^{m} & Mary College very necessary in order to have the Statutes of the said College carried into due Execution, that the Students & Scholars should have their Residence here during Term-time as prescribed by the Statute for this Purpose; we have resolved, that for the future those Terms, as far as in us lies, be exactly observ'd & complied with, and have therefore directed the same to be made public. We most earnestly recommend to Parents and Guardians, and request of them, to take particular care in the above respect; strictly to injoin the young Gentlemen to be present at the Commencement of each Term, and to provide them with the certain means of being so, and not to give them their Permission to retire, much less to send for them home again, before each Term's Expiration. [187.] The Statute providing for Term-time runs thus, "Let there be Three Terms for opening the Grammar and the Indian School. Let Hilary Term begin the first Monday after Epiphany, and end on Saturday before Palm-Sunday. Let Easter Term begin on Monday after the first Sunday after Easter; and let it end in the Eve of the Sunday before Whit Sunday. Let Trinity Term begin on Monday after Trinity Sunday; and end on the Sixteenth Day of December. Let the other schools observe the same Terms, except only that to the Philosophy and Divinity Schools we grant Vacation from St. James's Day to St. Luke's."

January 23^{d}, 1770.

At a Meeting of the President & Masters of W^{m} & Mary College,

Present,

The Revd Mr Horrocks, President, Mr Camm, Mr Jones & Mr Johnson.

Resol: that Messrs Edmund Randolph, Wm Leigh, Thos Hughes & Dolphin Drew be removed to the Philosophy-Schools.

Resol: that Mr Christ^{r} Todd be admitted a student.

Resol: that any young Gentlemen offering himself for admission and undergoing a proper Examination before the President & one of the Masters, and by them recommended to the rest of the Society, may be admitted a student in College.

(188) March 27th, 1770.

At a Meeting of the President & Masters of Wm & Mary College,

President,

The Revd Mr James Horrocks, President, Mr Camm, Mr Jones, Mr Johnson & Mr Dixon.

Resol: that a Representation of our Objections & Sentiments respecting the two Statutes deliberated upon in the visitation the 26th Instant be prepar'd against the next Meeting of the Visitors.

Resol: that the Revd Messrs Camm & Dixon be appointed to make a Report relative to the above.

April 9th, 1770.

At a Meeting of the President & Masters of Wm & Mary College,

Present,

The Revd Mr Horrocks, President, Mr Camm, Mr Jones, Mr Johnson & Mr Dixon.

Resol: that the President be entitled to receive the same allowance for his Reading in Chapel, that is made to the Professors for theirs.

Resol: that the Sum of £25 be allowed Mr John Blair, Junr for his extraordinary Services, particularly in settling [189] & adjusting the Accounts of the Duty on Skins & Furs from the upper District on James River.

Resol: that the sum of £5 be annually allow'd to Mr Nicholson while he overlooks the Cutting & Carting of the College wood.

May 2d, 1770.

At a Meeting of the President & Masters of Wm & Mary College,

Present,

The Rev: Mr Horrocks, President, Mr Jones, Mr Johnson, Mr Dixon, Mr Gwatkin & Mr Henley.

Resol: that the Bursar be directed to pay unto the Revd Mr Thos Gwatkin the sum of £20 Sterling, the usual allowance made to the several Professors for defraying the expenses of their passage.

Resol: that Mr President be desir'd to write to Messrs Hanbury to charge the College with the Money advanced to the Revd Mr Samuel Henley, and for the future to pay to any Person coming

over by the Chancellor's Recommendation as a Professor the sum of £20 Sterling on the College Acc^{t}.

At a meeting of the President & Masters of W^{m} & Mary College. Present: The Rev^{d} Mr. Horrocks President; Mr. Camm, Mr. Jones, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Dixon, Mr. Gwatkin, & Mr. Henley.

We the President and Masters or Professors of the College of William & Mary, beg leave humbly to represent, in the Statute "For the better Provision and greater Encouragement of those" Students who may be Candidates for the different Degrees, and "intend to prosecute a regular and compleat Course of liberal Education &c." We are apprehensive that the Clause "But let such as may be deprived have a right to appeal to the Visitors, and in that Instance let them have the final Controul," may in some Cases render abortive the noble and generous Design and be subversive of the good Ends proposed by this Statute. It is suppos'd by leaving the Choice of the Candidates in the President and Masters, that we are the best Judges of their Merit, and that we are entirely disinterested, and can neither lose nor gain; the Good of the Young Gentlemen, and the Credit of the College being the Objects of our Wishes, there is the greatest Probability (191) of our being impartial. With whom then can the Sanction of Rewards and Punishments be more properly lodged, than with those who are the best Judges, and against whose Impartiality there lies no Objection thro' Temptation to Self-Interest? In the Judgement which we are to form of the Merit of the Candidates, their Morals and good Behaviour are without doubt to be consider'd as well as their Proficiency in their Studies. The Power of Election therefore is likely to have great Influence over the Students, as a Motive to induce them to use their best Endeavours to render their whole Conduct acceptable and approved by the President and Masters, before Election, and surely there ought to be some Motive to induce them likewise to persevere in the same good Conduct afterwards; and what better, what more natural one can there be than the Danger of being deprived of those Emoluments which were the Reward of their good Behaviour, as a Punishment for Non-perseverance in, and Alteration of such Behaviour? But this powerful Motive will lose much of its Force if the Power of Deprivation & final Controul in this Instance be lodged in other Hands whereby a Sort

of Independence may be affected and obtain'd over the President & Masters, and it is not improbable (192) that to some Tempers it might be an Invitation to enter into a Contest with us to try whether they have not a more powerful Influence with the Visitors than the President & Masters have; who having no Interest in the Matter would not chuse to involve themselves in so disagreeable a Contention. Let us suppose a Case should happen wherein a Student depriv'd by the President & Masters should be reinstated by the Visitors, what would be the natural Consequence? would not such a one in Triumph brave the Society to their Faces? would not their Authority & Government be at an End? And besides the Danger to others from the Force of Example, would there be in those Circumstances that reciprocal Regard which ought to subsist between a Pupil and a Tutor? By this Clause the Visitors seem to be apprehensive of too great Severity in depriving Students of their Emoluments after Election; but there can be no great Reason for this Apprehension, as thereby the Electors must destroy their own Work, which they would rather be inclin'd to support, and would cast a Reflection on their former Judgment by reversing it. Besides if Experience should shew, that, by Abuse of this Power any bad Purpose had been effected, the Visitors (192) have it in their Power to put an immediate Stop to it by altering the Statute, or repealing it at once.

We hope that as the Visitors and we have the Good & Prosperity of the College equally at Heart, they will not disapprove of this humble Representation, but give it a candid & attentive Consideration.

With respect to the Proposal of the Visitors and Governors for "Letting all such Youth, whether resident in, or out of the College who have acquir'd a competent Knowledge of common or vulgar Arithmetic, & whose Parents or Guardians may desire it, be received into the Mathematical School"; The President & Masters or Professors beg Leave to represent, That the College is not design'd to be the sole Place of Resort for Education in the Colony; but the best Place for training up Youth, who are intended to be qualified for any of the three learned Professions, or to become Gentlemen, and accomplish'd Citizens in a regular Course of Study.

That the Plan, or Method for this regular Progress in Study,

hitherto approved of in the most famous Universities as well as in the Statutes of William and Mary College, consists in (193) the Pursuit, first, of Classical Knowledge; 2dly of Philosophy natural & moral; & lastly of such Sciences as are to become the Business of the Students during the Remainder of their lives.

That the above Method cannot be departed from, or occasionally altered even for the Sake of extraordinary Geniuses, who are able to shine in a learned Profession without the Foundation of Classical Learning; much less can it be accomodated to the Views of those who aim at no more than a Skill in Vulgar Arithmetic & some practical Branch of the Mathematicks to qualify them for an inferiour Office in Life; without doing abundantly more Injury than Benefit to the Publick.

That, if the proposed Statute take Place, the important Statute which empowers the President & Professors to judge of the Proficiency of the Boys in the Grammar-School before they grant them Leave to remove into the Philosophy Schools, as well as many other useful Statutes and Regulations, will be in a great Measure, if not altogether superseded: and the Students of the College will at best consist of Regulars & Irregulars (194) of real and nominal Academicks, of serious Votaries of Science ascending to her Shrine by a natural Gradation, and idle Danglers about the Purlieus of a College. Which in our Apprehension will make a mixture very improper, & very dangerous to the more promising & valuable Part of such an Heterogeneous Society.

That, if what we have been arguing against be allow'd, Numbers of the Children, who might otherwise in Process of Time have turned out true Scholars, and Men of extensive Knowledge, will prevail with their Parents or Guardians to let them quit their Classical Reading & Exercises very early for the Sake of making a premature & superficial Progress in the Mathematics; and a contagious Humour will spread of neglecting the Foundations of Improvement in Knowledge under Pretence of separating the useful from the ornamental, and studying only the former. Which will be a sure Way to keep Learning from gaining Ground in the Colony, and ought therefore to be dreaded & discountenanced in the College, Parents & Guardians must have it in their Choice (195) whether they will send the Youth

under their Care to the College or not, But the(y) can not become the Conductors of Education in a College without throwing it into Confusion.

That the Number of those whom we call Irregulars from our Unwillingness to use a more adequate Term, may soon grow great enough to employ the whole Time of the Professor of Natural Philosophy in teaching a practical Branch or two of the Mathematicks: and all such irregular and desultory Students, after quitting the College, will be very apt to seize every Opportunity to boast of their University Education. Under which Disadvantage alone we think it almost impossible that the College should ever rise to any very high Degree of Renown.

That, the Premises consider'd, with all possible Respect and Submission due to the Judgment of our lawful Superiours, we humbly presume, that the Proposal above mention'd will be rejected, and the College permitted to make its Way on the simple and unperplex'd Plan laid down in the old Statutes, and agreeable to the Establishments of Experience in more antient Countries.

Resol: that an Assistant-Usher be appointed; that his Salary be (196) Lb. 40 Sterling pr. Ann: and if it should appear that the Revenues of the College will allow of it, that Lb. 10 be added to it.

June 27th, 1770.

At a Meeting of the President & Masters of Wm & Mary College, Present, The Revd Mr. Horrocks President, Mr. Jones, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Dixon, Mr. Gwatkin, & Mr. Henley.

Resol: that Mr. Marshall be appointed Assistant-Usher of the College.

Resol: that a Reward be given to any who will acquaint this Society with the Name of the Person or Persons who shall presume to deface any Part of the College, the Repairs now making in particular.

July 9th, 1770.

Whereas the Orders in Pages 176 & 177 have not had the (197) wished for Effect, it has been farther order'd—that a handsome Reward will be given to the Person who discovers any one that has already injur'd or defaced, or hereafter shall injure or deface any Part of the College Building or Furniture,

so that such an Offender may be proceeded against according to the said Resolution.

Resol: unanimously that Messrs Edmund Randolph & William Leigh be elected to the two first Studentships.

Sepr 3^{d}, 1770.

At a Meeting of the President & Masters of W^{m} & Mary College, Present, The Rev^{d} Mr. Horrocks President, Mr. Jones, and Mr. Johnson.

This Day John Blair Junr Esqr laid before the Society his Accounts as Bursar of the College which were examined and passed.

(198) Sepr 4th, 1770.

At a meeting of the President & Masters of W^{m} & Mary College, Present, The Rev^{d} Mr. Horrocks President, Mr. Jones, Mr. Johnson, & Mr. Henley.

Mr. President laid before the Society a Letter of this Date from John Blair Junr Esqr in which he resigns his Office of Bursar, and at the same time recommended Mr. Robt Miller as a Person qualified to succeed him, and he is accordingly appointed to that Office.

Octr 17th, 1770.

At a Meeting of the President & Masters of W^{m} & Mary College, Present, The Rev^{d} Mr. Horrocks President, Mr. Camm, Mr. Jones, Mr. Johnson, & Mr. Dixon.

Resol: unanimously that Mr. Thomas Davis be appointed Usher of the Grammar School, & his Salary to commence the 12th Instant, when he began Duty.

(199) Novr 14th, 1770.

At a meeting of the President and Masters of W^{m} & Mary College, Present, The Rev^{d} Mr. Horrocks President, Mr. Jones, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Dixon, & Mr. Henley.

This Day the College Invoice was laid before the Society.

November 22^{d}, 1770.

At a meeting of the President and Masters of W^{m} & Mary College, Present, The Rev^{d} Mr. Horrocks President, Mr. Camm, Mr. Jones, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Dixon, Mr. Henley & Mr. Gwatkin.

Resol: unanimously that Mr. Walker Maury be appointed a scholar on a Nottaway-Foundation in the Room of Mr. Marshall.

Resol: that Mr. James Innes be recommended to the Visitors as a Scholar.

Resol: that Mr. James Madison be also recommended as a Scholar.

(200) December 13th, 1770.

At a Meeting of the President & Masters of Wm & Mary College, Present, The Revd Mr. Horrocks President, Mr. Camm, Mr. Jones, Mr. Johnson, & Mr. Dixon.

Resol: that Messrs Stuart, Cocke, & Beverley Randolph be removed after the next Vacation into the Moral-Schools.

April 11th, 1771.

At a Meeting of the President & Masters of William & Mary College, Present, The Revd Mr. Horrocks President, Mr. Camm, Mr. Jones, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Dixon, Mr. Henley, & Mr. Gwatkin.

This Day was receiv'd from the Honble the President and the other Gentlemen appointed to take Care of Lord Botetourt's Effects the following Extracts of a Letter from his Grace the Duke of Beaufort, Vizt.

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"I understand that his Lordship express'd a Desire sometime before he died to be buried in Virginia; so that I do not intend to remove the Body to England, but hope the President &c. of the College will permit me to erect a Monument near the Place where he was buried, as the only Means I have of expressing in some Degree the sincere Regard and Affection I bore towards him; And I flatter Myself it may not be disagreeable to the Virginians to have this Remembrance of a Person whom they held in so high Estimation, and whose Loss they so greatly lament."

Which being read, the Application therein contain'd received the unanimous Assent of the Society, who are glad of every Opportunity of shewing their sincere Regard to the Memory of Lord Botetourt.

(202) May 1st, 1771.

At a meeting of the President & Masters of William and Mary College, Present, The Revd Mr Horrocks President, Mr. Camm, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Henley, & Mr. Gwatkin.

Whereas the Honble & Revd the President has signified to us

his Intention of going to England for the recovery of his health: It is the unanimous Opinion of the Gentlemen above mention'd that the Office of President during his absence should devolve upon the Senior Professor of the said College.

Whereas the Rev^{d} Mr. Camm the Senior Professor of the said College, & the Rev^{d} Mr. Johnson the next Senior Professor in Holy-Orders have each signify'd certain Objections to their undertaking the said Office, it is the Opinion of the President & Professors that the Rev^{d} Mr. be appointed to the said Office.

Resol: (203) that David Stuart is appointed to succeed Wm Dawson in the Nottoway Scholarship.

May 3^{d}, 1771.

At a meeting of the President and Masters of W^{m} & Mary College, Present, The Rev^{d} Mr. Horrocks Presid^{t}, Mr. Camm, Mr. Jones, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Dixon, Mr. Henley & Mr. Gwatkin.

Resol: that Orders be given for 12 Hds. Tob: from the Nottoway Quarter to be ship'd on board the *Hanbury,* Cap^{n} Esten.

Resol: unanimously that a Negro Woman belonging to his late Excellency's Estate be purchas'd for the use of the College, if to be had at a moderate Price.

(204) May 9th, 1771.

At a meeting of the President & Masters of W^{m} & Mary College, Present, Mr. Horrocks, President, Mr. Jones, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Dixon, Mr. Henley, & Mr. Gwatkin.

Resol: that a Power of Attorney be given to the Honble & Rev^{d} Mr. President to act (in regard to the Brafferton Estate) agreeable to Directions given by the Visitors 8th Instant.

Upon the Recommendation of the Society Mr Ja^{s} Innis was appointed a Foundation-Scholar Novr 22^{d}, 1770.

(*To be Continued.*)

DIARY OF COL. LANDON CARTER.

SOME EXTRACTS.

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January 19. This day a perfect spring day, but I could not ride out, because waiting for the Col^{rs} Richard and Frank Lee and Colonel Tayloe meeting by appointment.